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Application of Toru SANO, Masakazu BABA, Kazuhiro IIDA, Hisao KAWAURA, Noriyuki IGUCHI, Toshitsugu SAKAMOTO, Wataru HATTORI, Hiroko SOMEYA SEPARATION APPARATUS, METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME, AND

ANALYTICAL SYSTEM

Assignee: NEC CORPORATION

Our Ref: Q87545

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

\square	a copy	of the	executed	Declaratio	n and Pow	er of Attor	ney.

 \square an English translation of the International Application.

☑ 49 sheet(s) of drawings.

☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.

 \square an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).

☑ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.

☑ a copy of the ISR.

□ a copy of the IPER.

 $\ensuremath{\square}$ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.

 \square a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.

☑ a Preliminary Amendment.

☑ it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

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